# LAROSA PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM NEWSLETTER

## **LPP Q & A:**

Q: When will the 2022 site nomination process begin?

A: We heard from partners that they'd like the nomination process to occur earlier for planning purposes. We listened and site nomination will be solicited from partners by Mid-December. We aim to have 3 years of data from each site to account of a variety of weather-related flow conditions. As a result, most 2021 sites will be good candidates for 2022.

#### **REMINDER:**

Please reach out to LPP Staff with any feedback on your 2021 raw data packages by 11/12.

Please respond to the 2021 <u>LaRosa</u> <u>Partner Survey</u> by 11/19.

# ABOUT THE LAROSA PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (LPP)

Since 2003, this partnership has helped watershed associations and monitoring groups across Vermont implement new and/or ongoing monitoring projects for surface waters in need of water quality assessment by helping to alleviate the financial burden of laboratory analysis costs.



We are so appreciative of all your patience, flexibility, and hard work during the 2021 sampling season. We are very much looking forward to working with you again in 2022 and we are excited to get started this upcoming spring!

### **UPDATES**

- Mel Auffredou is the new ECO AmeriCorps LPP Assistant Coordinator. She will be serving with the Monitoring and Assessment Program until August 2022. Please reach out to her with any questions regarding the 2022 sampling season.
- ❖ By now all partners should have received their 2021 raw data packages. We are currently working on gathering and reviewing flow data.
- Approved 2021 data will be combined with flow data and presented graphically on-line to more easily communicate LPP data and improve accessibility.



## Jim Kellogg, LPP Coordinator Retirement

After working for the state for 41 years, and 19 years on LPP, Jim Kellogg will be retiring on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021. He will be greatly missed and difficult shoes to fill. Jim will be scaling back his LPP duties over the course of November and December. Please direct your inquiries after December 17<sup>th</sup> to Mel and Heather Pembrook, Biomonitoring Supervisor.

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